

William Dock, Stanford University Hospital; San Francisco; Dr. Fred Firestone, Mount Zion Hospital, San Francisco; Dr. Paul Castelhun, St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco; Dr. Rudolph Dresel, Children's Hospital, San Francisco; Mrs. Ida T. Fleming, Children's Hospital, San Francisco; Mrs. Alice Keane, St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco; Miss Josephine Abraham, Mount Zion Hospital, San Francisco; Miss Marcella Leonard, San Francisco Hospital, San Francisco.

6. Business Meeting.

Round-table luncheon preceding program at 12:30 p. m., Hotel Oakland.

California Association of Physiotherapists

MISS BUELAH RADER, President,
Marine Hospital, San Francisco.

MISS MABEL PENFIELD, Secretary,
560 Sutter Street, San Francisco.

West Room, Hotel Oakland,
Thursday, April 29, 2:30 to 5 p. m.

1. *President's Address*—Miss Buelah Rader, Marine Hospital, San Francisco.
2. Address by President of Technical Specialties Section.
3. Practical discussion of diathermy technique. Results, with case reports and x-rays. Bursitis, arthritis, back strains.
Discussion opened by Miss Hazel Furscott.
4. Quartz lamp technique, with case reports. Examples of unsuccessful results. Eczema, bone and gland tuberculosis, skin ulcers, rickets.
Discussion led by Miss Mabel Penfield.
5. *The Present Uncertain Status of the Physiotherapy Technician—Need for New Placement Bureau*—Miss Hilda Knazenberger, Hanneman Hospital, San Francisco.
6. Business Meeting.
7. Dinner.

ENTERTAINMENT

The Arrangements Committee for the Oakland meeting have planned a program of entertainment which all should enjoy.

On Monday, April 26, and Tuesday, April 27, there will be a golf tournament held at Sequoyah and Claremont Country Clubs, and this tournament will be conducted by the Northern California Medical Golfers' Association. Many trophies will be awarded at a dinner for the golfers, which will be held at the Claremont Country Club on Tuesday evening, April 27.

On Tuesday, April 27, the urologists of San Francisco and Oakland, under the auspices of the Western branch of the American Urological Association, will give a dinner and entertainment to visiting urologists at 6:30 p. m. at the St. Germain Restaurant, 60 Ellis Street, San Francisco.

On Wednesday afternoon there will be a reception at the home of Dr. Edward N. Ewer for the ladies.

Wednesday evening, April 28, there will be a dinner at the Hotel Oakland for optional medical defense.

Following the meeting of the House of Delegates on Wednesday evening there will be a smoker for the men. A musicale for the ladies will be held at the Hotel Oakland on the same evening.

On Thursday, April 29, in the afternoon, there will be a luncheon and cards at the Hotel Claremont for the ladies.

In the evening will be a dinner dance at the Hotel Oakland.

On Friday, April 30, at noon, there will be a luncheon at the Hotel Oakland for county officers and councilors.

In the afternoon the ladies will visit Orinda Country Club.

On Friday evening there will be a bridge tournament at the Hotel Oakland.

On Saturday, May 1, there will be a luncheon for the Program Committee.

Utah State Medical Association

T. C. GIBSON, M. D., Salt Lake City.....President
W. R. CALDERWOOD, M. D.....President-Elect
FRANK B. STEELE, M. D., Salt Lake.....Secretary

J. U. GIESY, M. D., Kearns Building, Salt Lake,
Associate Editor for Utah

**THE COUNCIL ON PHYSIOTHERAPY,
A. M. A.**

To one who has employed, and employed with success, at least several of the agencies which may correctly be included under the general heading of physiotherapy, it is refreshing to read the recent article by Morris Fishbein (Journal A. M. A.) on the work, aims, and scope of the Council on Physiotherapy, as well as to know that in the future the journal is to give some space to articles dealing with the possibilities of treatment by physiotherapeutic means.

No physician but must welcome the stand now being taken toward the establishment of a true field for the use of such means for the relief of certain conditions constantly met in our efforts to give suffering humanity relief.

Physiotherapy, like any newborn infant, has had a somewhat stormy infancy; but here at last it appears that we are at least on the threshold of getting on a definite footing with it. In other words, the child is beginning to walk and talk, and has, in a sense, cut its teeth.

But what we want mainly to see is the establishment of a true ethical basis for those men of sincere purpose who sincerely believe from experience that there is a real benefit to be derived from the use of such agencies in the treatment of certain maladies.

Electricity, for instance, in its various applications is no cure-all. Yet it will work positive changes when properly used. Like any other means of treatment, it should be understood by him who seeks to use it, both in its nature and its indicated application. In other words, electricity should and must be *prescribed* in an understanding fashion before it can be accredited by any scientific standards or justification of use.

None knows better than one who has seen the recent renewed interest in the subject how widely certain commercial agencies have overshot the mark in the claims they have made. Herein we are called upon to draw the line between science and the commercial boosting of trade. Selling-talks are naturally optimistic, and the salesmen of equipment houses are quite naturally required to be optimists, to use the very mildest word.

On the other hand, there is truth as a basis for some of their claims, as we know from our own experience; and now that the Council has been given official cachet to step in, we can welcome their activities as tending to winnow the wheat from the chaff and establish the accredited use of what is good, in contradistinction to the claims of salesmen, charlatans, and the cults.

For there is wheat among the chaff. The results

obtained in traumatic injuries, in developmental disturbances, in the rehabilitation of injury cases for a return to useful service, speak for themselves. Finsen practically put physiotherapy on its first legs. Rollier has worked miracles of healing in the Swiss Alps. England has carried forward a steadily onward progress with the use of such methods since the year before Finsen's death. Columbia University has recently recognized the subject as one to be taught. The American Electrotherapeutical Association has been a society composed of learned and scientific men for over thirty years. Modern workers on this side of the water have carried the work rapidly forward the last few years. The United States Army Medical service uses physiotherapy as a routine in its general hospitals. So surely, surely the wheat is there, for all these agencies working to prove it are scarcely of a type to be easily or continually fooled.

PROGRAM ANNUAL SESSION

Thursday, May 6, 1926

Morning Session—8 o'clock, Meeting of the Council. 9 o'clock, Cretinism and Its Relation to Thyroid Disease (Motion Pictures), Charles C. Tiffin. 10 o'clock, Cancer of the Sigmoid and Rectum (Lantern Slide Demonstration), Leo P. Bell. 11 o'clock, Gastro-intestinal Disorders and Nervousness, Edmund Jacobson. 12 o'clock, Meeting of the House of Delegates.

Afternoon Session—2 o'clock, Surgery of the Large Intestine, Leo P. Bell. 3 o'clock, Endometrical Cysts as a Cause of Dysmenorrhea, P. L. Pratt. 4 o'clock, Goiter Clinic (Dry), E. P. Sloan. 5 o'clock, Meeting of the House of Delegates.

Friday, May 7, 1926

Morning Session—8 o'clock, Surgical Clinic (Dry), R. C. Coffey. 9 o'clock, Alkaline Tide in Achlorhydria, R. H. Hubbard. 10 o'clock, Internal Secretion of the Ovary, J. P. Pratt. 11 o'clock, Some Technical Points in Medical, X-ray, and Surgical Treatments of Goiter, E. P. Sloan. 12 o'clock, Meeting of the House of Delegates.

Afternoon Session—2 o'clock, The New Treatment of Functional Nervous Conditions and Its Relation to Internal Medicine, Edmund Jacobson. 3 o'clock, Cosmetic Surgery of the Thyroid Gland Under Local Anesthesia, Charles C. Tiffin. 4 o'clock, The Present Situation in Cancer Research, H. Gideon Wells. 5 o'clock, subject to be announced later, A. J. Carlson.

Evening—8 o'clock, banquet, Hotel Utah.

Saturday, May 8, 1926

Morning Session—8 o'clock, The Influence of Heredity on the Occurrence of Cancer in Man, H. Gideon Wells. 9 o'clock, subject to be announced later, A. J. Carlson. 10 o'clock, Fundamentals of the Ptoxis Question, Robert C. Coffey. 11 o'clock, Does Neurasthenia Exist? Edmund Jacobson. 12 o'clock, luncheon.

Afternoon Session—2 o'clock, Some Functional Studies in Nephritis, Roger S. Hubbard. 3 o'clock, subject to be announced, A. J. Carlson. 4 o'clock, Cancer Statistics, H. Gideon Wells. 5 o'clock, Treatment of Gastro-Duodenal Ulcer, Robert C. Coffey.

Note: The Ophthalmological Section Program was not completed in time for publication, but will be announced later.

Utah News—Work has started on the new Medical Arts building in Salt Lake. We wonder just how many people, how many physicians fully realize the importance of the announcement or its scope. People driving by the site now see but a board fence. In a few months they will see a modern office building of ten stories, designed and planned to accommodate exclusively members of the medical and dental professions, equipped with every modern facility of their needs.

In this structure there will be, besides the ground floor housing mercantile institutions of a nature closely allied with the medical and dental arts, a tea room for hasty lunches, a barber shop and beauty parlor, a lecture auditorium equipped with platform and projection chamber—

open to the county and state societies or other societies desiring its use—a reference library, and nine floors of modern offices.

Sponsored in its inception by the county society, the actual and tangible materialization of this project is due mainly to the efforts of Drs. Ford and Stauffer, E. F. Root, H. P. Kirtley, and one or two other men closely associated with them from the first. To it they have given time without limit, and money in no small measure. Today we see their efforts crowned by an assured success. This building will go up with an assured list of tenants, with every foot of floor space—commercial and professional—rented before the superstructure is raised. Merchants, bankers, and men of good business judgment have absorbed the entire issue of preferred stock. One feels tempted to suggest to the profession of Salt Lake that following their lead it were well for them to give to this enterprise their whole good-will and friendly support, because, all reports to the contrary—and there have been some circulated as it would appear—the Medical Arts building is—GOING UP!

The war is over! Along about June many of the members of the profession in Utah will realize it when remitting \$1 instead of three for renewal of their narcotic privilege. But then at the same time there is an increase of the tax on near beer and all legal cereal beverages.

The sympathy of the profession is, we feel, turning toward Dr. A. A. Kerr of Salt Lake in the death of his brother, Dr. Norman Kerr of Chicago. Dr. Kerr went on to Chicago for the purpose of attending the funeral services upon receipt of the news of his brother's death.

Dr. H. Earl Belnap has been named Weber County Health Commissioner by the county commissioner of the health unit.

Dr. Charles P. Hough, 81, died in Missouri recently. Dr. Hough was a resident of Salt Lake for six years, from 1896. He was prominent in medical circles of the state, and left in 1902 to return to his home town, Jefferson City, Mo.

Salt Lake County Medical Society News (by M. M. Critchlow, secretary)—The meeting of February 22 was devoted to medico-military matters. Forty members and eleven visitors were present. Fourteen members were in uniform.

Colonel S. C. Baldwin, C. O. General Hospital No. 61, gave a report on that hospital, naming the personnel. Colonel C. M. Benedict, C. O. Station Hospital No. 136, gave a report in which he outlined the functions of his organization.

Major S. C. Gurney read a paper on "The Development of an Efficient Medical Service in the Army of the United States for Emergency." He discussed the difficulties of 1917 National Defense Act and the present organization of the army, qualifications required for membership in the Reserve Corps, and outlined the advantages of the Reserve officers over the volunteers and drafted men.

Major C. L. Sandberg, C. O. Hospital Train No. 1, reported for his organization. Lieutenant J. Gregg Smith, United States Navy, read a paper on "The Medical Corps of the Navy—What It Offers a Medical Man." He outlined the work done in the navy, opportunities for research, and the advantages of the naval service.

Lieutenant T. A. Flood read an excellent paper on "Army Life and the Development of Personality." In the absence of Lieutenant-Colonel Willard Christopher, C. O. 329th Medical Regiment, Major S. C. Gurney reported for that organization.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. P. Kirtly suggested that the papers read should be forwarded to CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE for publication. Major J. U. Giesy announced that the Journal is devoting a department to the Reserve Corps, and that he would be glad to forward the articles mentioned to Dr. Musgrave, editor of this Journal. Major L. N. Ossman suggested that all papers read before the society should be forwarded to the Journal for publication. Discussed by Major Giesy, who announced his willingness to do this.

The application for membership of Eugene L. Christensen was read.

President Raley requested all members to get their parking privileges early. He announced that twenty-six doctors were in arrears and urged them to pay their dues.

He also announced that delegates would be elected at the next meeting, and announced the replies to the telegrams sent to Senators Smoot and King.

The meeting of March 8 was called to order by President F. H. Raley. Forty-three members and two visitors were present.

Mr. W. H. Adams, representing the Commercial Club, addressed the society relative to the Intermountain Livestock Show to be held in North Salt Lake March 27 to 31, 1926, inclusive.

The scientific program was arranged by the Utah Ophthalmological Society.

H. G. Merrill of Provo, Utah, gave an illustrated talk entitled "A Squint Into the Eye Business." He described the mechanism and treatment of a squint, emphasized the necessity of early treatment and demonstrated four cases, two of which illustrated perfect results from early treatment, the other two being blind in one eye from lack of treatment. Discussion by D. H. Henderson, E. D. Le Compte, Fred Stauffer, and John Z. Brown.

Fred Stauffer read a paper entitled "Some 'Dont's' in the Ear, Nose, and Throat Practice." He discussed tonsillitis, earaches, and sinus infection. He illustrated with lantern slides the anatomy of the sinuses.

Eugene Christensen was unanimously elected to membership in the society.

The application of P. G. Holman was read and turned over to the Board of Censors.

The following members were elected delegates to serve two years: H. P. Kirtley, S. C. Baldwin, E. M. Neher, Sol G. Kahn, L. J. Paul, M. M. Critchlow, Joseph E. Jack, L. E. Viko, W. L. Rich, E. F. Root, Helmina Jeidell, J. N. Harrison.

The following members were elected alternates to service for one year: W. F. Beer, Ralph Pendleton, M. M. Nelson, Warren Benjamin, W. C. Cheney, Scott A. Jones.

Nevada State Medical Association

A. J. HOOD, M. D., Elko.....President
HORACE J. BROWN, M. D., Reno.....
.....Secretary and Associate Editor for Nevada

Vinton A. Muller, Gray-Reid Building, Reno, is chairman of the Nevada Program Committee this year. He is actively at work upon the program for 1926, and will be glad to hear from those who have something to offer.

The Washoe County Medical Society met March 10 in the office of John A. Fuller, secretary.

Mrs. Patrick presented a plan for a nurses' directory, whereby she would list all nurses, both trained and practical. This, if supported by the physicians of the community, would centralize the several bureaus into one. The society voted to adopt the plan.

A communication from the American Birth Control League was read, offering to include this society in the itinerary of Dr. James F. Cooper, who is lecturing on birth control. The society voted to accept the offer, and instructed the secretary to communicate with the A. B. C. League.

Upon motion of Dr. Bath, it was voted that at the time of Cooper's lecture we give a banquet to members and visitors. Arrangements referred to a committee composed of Bath and M. A. Robison.

Dr. Bath read a paper on "Gonorrhea in Women." It was a masterly résumé of the subject. He dwelt especially on the pelvic complications and upon the difficulties of diagnosis. The paper was widely discussed.

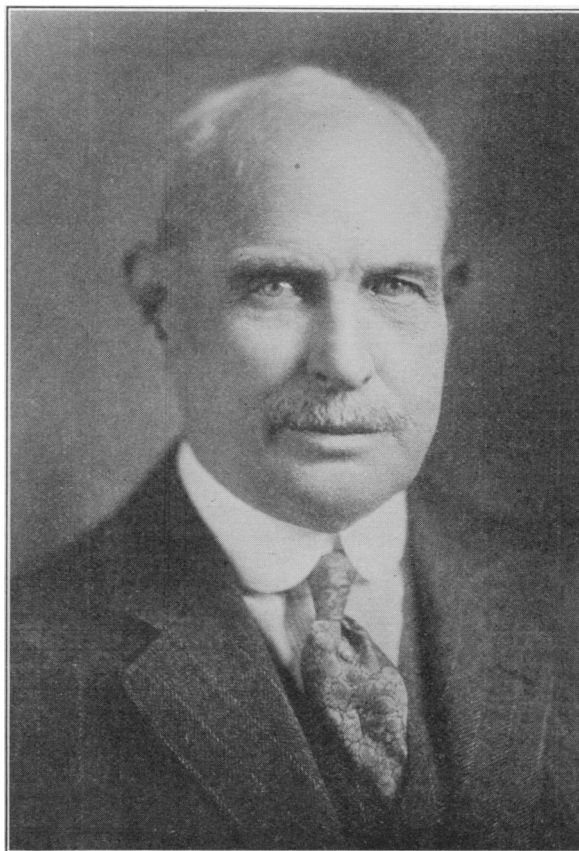
Dr. Walker gave a short but instructive talk on "Sex Hygiene," bringing out some rather unpleasant facts regarding the high school children of this and other towns. He blamed the conditions on lack of adequate home education and mutual understanding between parent and child. This talk called forth considerable discussion.

The secretary brought before the society the matter of getting behind the movement of the A. M. A. Committee on Lye Legislation. This committee is fostering a bill in the United States Senate to properly label all poisonous substances used in the household, such as lye,

acids, etc. The secretary was instructed to wire the Senators and Congressmen, urging them to support the bill.

Dr. Piersall moved that in the near future one meeting night be given over to the discussion of the subject of periodic public health examination. Carried.

Attendance—Members: DaCosta, Bath, McIntyre, Stadtherr, W. H. Hood, Walker, Morrison, Piersall, Blake, Crevaling, Lehnars, Albert, Fuller, Brown, Muller, M. A. Robison, Samuels, and Caples. Visitors: Dr. Henry.



STANLEY STILLMAN

President Pacific Coast Surgical Association

The Pacific Coast Surgical Association met this year (February 26-27) at Del Monte. The regular two-day session was preceded by a series of clinics held in San Francisco hospitals. The president's dinner was held on Saturday evening. Dr. Horace Wetherill of Monterey, former president of the Western Surgical Association, acted as toastmaster, and the following surgeons spoke: Thomas W. Huntington, San Francisco; Franklin Martin, Chicago; Charles D. Lockwood, Pasadena; Stanley Stillman, San Francisco; J. Tate Mason, Seattle, and T. Saxton Pope, San Francisco. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Stanley Stillman, San Francisco, President; Ernst A. Sommer, Portland, Oregon, First Vice-President; W. D. Kirkpatrick, Bellingham, Washington, Second Vice-President; Edgar L. Gilcreest, San Francisco; Secretary.

The association will convene the last week in February of next year in Del Monte.

The retiring officers of the association who conducted the very successful meeting are:

Charles D. Lockwood, Pasadena, President; Stanley Stillman, San Francisco, First Vice-President; Wallace I. Terry, San Francisco, Second Vice-President; Edgar L. Gilcreest, San Francisco, Secretary.

Council—J. Tate Mason, Seattle; Harold Brunn, San Francisco; Philip K. Gilman, San Francisco; Paul Rockey, Portland; Clarence G. Toland, Los Angeles.

Horace G. Wetherill, Monterey, was in charge of arrangements.